

By: Crownover

H.R. No. 206

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For more than 15 years, Herbert Holl has made an
2 indelible contribution to the arts community of North Texas as
3 executive director of the Greater Denton Arts Council; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Germany in 1951, Dr. Holl first arrived in
5 the United States at the age of eight with his family, who settled
6 in Huntsville, Alabama; he graduated from Huntsville High School in
7 1969 and earned a bachelor's degree with honors in piano
8 performance from Peabody College; soon after, he attended The
9 University of Texas at Austin, where he earned his master's degree
10 in music and his doctoral degree in musicology; and

11 WHEREAS, Before assuming his current role with GDAC, this
12 esteemed educator served as a staff member and consultant for the
13 Texas Commission on the Arts and executive director of the Cultural
14 Council of Victoria; under his leadership, GDAC has tripled its
15 budget, increased its supporter base by 500 percent, launched a
16 capital campaign to renovate the Campus Theatre in downtown Denton,
17 and overseen the expansion of the Center for the Visual Arts; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Holl is actively involved with community
19 activities such as the Denton Rotary Club and the Downtown Denton
20 Task Force, and he also serves on the Texas Commission of the Arts
21 community arts panel and the advisory board of the Denton
22 Convention and Visitors Bureau; and

23 WHEREAS, With the support of his wife, accomplished cellist
24 Delta Thompson Holl, and their children, Lucas and Susan, Dr. Holl

1 has also distinguished himself as a newspaper columnist and critic,
2 church choir director, and adjunct professor at the University of
3 Houston, Texas Woman's University, and the Graduate School of
4 Public Administration at the University of North Texas; moreover,
5 he has written numerous academic papers and articles and has
6 conducted many professional presentations on art, education, and
7 nonprofits; and

8 WHEREAS, The vibrancy of our communities depends on the
9 dedication of individuals like Herbert Holl, who serves as an
10 inspiration to all who have been touched by his commitment to the
11 arts and civic service; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
13 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby commend Herbert Holl for
14 his exceptional tenure with the Greater Denton Arts Council and
15 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and
16 achievement; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for Dr. Holl as an expression of high regard by the Texas
19 House of Representatives.